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DOMESTIC SECTION 214 APPLICATION FILED FOR THE TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF GRASSHOPPER GROUP, LLC TO CITRIX SYSTEMS, INC.

PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED

WC Docket No. 15-29

Comments Due: April 28, 2015
Reply Comments Due: May 5, 2015

Grasshopper Group, LLC (Grasshopper) and Citrix Systems, Inc. (Citrix) (together, Applicants) filed an application¹ pursuant to section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (Act), seeking approval for the transfer of control of Grasshopper Group, LLC to Citrix Systems.

Grasshopper, a limited liability Massachusetts company, offers integrated phone service solutions, voicemail processing, and other enhanced services to business end-users. Grasshopper states that they are authorized to provide competitive resold interexchange long distance telecommunications services in the following states: Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Texas, Utah, Virginia, and Washington.

Citrix, a Delaware corporation, has two wholly-owned direct subsidiaries offering telecommunications services, Citrix Communications LLC (Citrix Communications) and Citrix Online Audio LLC (Citrix Online Audio) and one wholly-owned indirect subsidiary, Citrix Communications Virginia LLC (Citrix Virginia). Citrix Communications, a Delaware limited liability company, is a competitive local exchange and interexchange carrier authorized to provide intrastate local, intrastate interexchange, and switched access services in the states of California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New York, and Texas. Citrix Communications also provides interstate interexchange and switched access service. Citrix Online Audio, a Delaware limited liability company, provides audio conferencing services throughout the United States. Citrix Virginia, a Virginia limited liability company, is authorized to provide facilities-based and resold local exchange, interexchange, and access telecommunications services throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia.

¹ 47 C.F.R § 63.03; *see* 47 U.S.C. § 214. Applicants are also filing applications for transfer of control associated with authorization for international services. Any action on this domestic section 214 application is without prejudice to Commission action on other related, pending applications.

Pursuant to a Membership Interest Agreement, Citrix has agreed to acquire all of the membership units of Grasshopper. As a result, Grasshopper will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Citrix. Citrix plans to retain most of Grasshopper's current management responsible for the day-to-day operations of the business.

Applicants assert that the proposed transaction is entitled to presumptive streamlined treatment under section 63.03(b)(2)(i) of the Commission's rules and that a grant of the application will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity.²

Domestic Section 214 Application Filed For the Transfer of Control of Grasshopper Group, LLC to Citrix Systems, Inc., WC Docket No. 15-29 (filed April 8, 2015).

GENERAL INFORMATION

The transfer of control identified herein has been found, upon initial review, to be acceptable for filing as a streamlined application. The Commission reserves the right to return any transfer application if, upon further examination, it is determined to be defective and not in conformance with the Commission's rules and policies. Pursuant to section 63.03(a) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 63.03(a), interested parties may file comments **on or before April 28, 2015**, and reply comments **on or before May 5, 2015**. Pursuant to section 63.52 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.52, commenters must serve a copy of comments on the Applicants no later than the above comment filing date. Unless otherwise notified by the Commission, the Applicants may transfer control on the 31st day after the date of this notice.

Pursuant to section 63.03 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 63.03, parties to this proceeding should file any documents in this proceeding using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS): <http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/>. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS). See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 FR 24121 (1998).

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² 47 C.F.R. 63.03(b)(2)(i).

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